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(SBU) Econchief discussed the UNGA rape resolution again with MFA International Affairs Director Yacoub Al-Hosani on October 28. Econchief stressed the importance of the initiative and the flexibility our negotiators had shown, including by changing the title of the resolution to condemn rape by all actors. Econchief also asked the UAEG to co-sponsor the resolution. Al-Hosani said that he had sent the original resolution to the UAE's UN Mission in New York to seek the mission's views. Speaking personally, he thought there would be no problem with the UAE supporting the resolution at the UNGA. He did not, however, commit to co-sponsorship. SISON